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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Aloha everyone,

There was a recent article in *The Maui News* about Maui County having a record low crime rate for 2016. The article stated that the 3,757.3 crimes per 100,000 of resident population was the "lowest rate since the start of data collection in 1975."

Let's all take this time to thank Chief Tivo and his officers for all of their hard work in making this happen. I'd especially like to thank Sgt. Heather Gilroy with the Community Policing Unit for responding to the many homeless calls that we receive here at the Mayor's Office. Working together with our Homeless Coordinator David Nakama, I know they have been very busy.

So far, they've responded and helped the canoe clubs deal with the homeless in Kahului, the businesses along Alamaha Street, and the Baldwin Beach sweep in Paia. Of course, once you clean up one area, the homeless population moves to another area and you have to start all over again.

At best, these are temporary solutions, and we need to work with the County Council to pass some more permanent ones, as we presented back in 2015. Otherwise, Sgt. Gilroy and David, as well as the rest of our county workers who encounter the homeless population will continue to deal with the same people causing the same problems, just in different locations.

Also, another thing to point out in that crime article is that the statistics available did not break down crimes for different areas, so it is possible that, while overall crime is down, crime might be up in your neighborhood or town. I say this because, for some people who live in certain areas, the report was hard to believe because they've personally encountered more crime where they live.

So, while the statistics don't lie, make sure you stay vigilant and report crime to MPD. Police work best when the community works with them, so let's make sure they have the information they need to continue to reduce crime even further.

Mahalo again, MPD, and to all of you who help make Maui County the best community in the world.



Mayor Alan Arakawa



M.D. Minute

A Message from Managing Director Keith Regan

"People tend to think of affordable housing as a problem that uniquely affects the poor and homeless. However, in the last five years... we're seeing this problem has spread to working-class people who are priced out of the market." ~ Annu Mangat

One of the questions I get asked a lot is what is the County doing about providing more affordable housing for working families? I am pleased to report that the County has been working hard to make progress on the inventory of workforce housing.

Here's the good news: the County's 56-unit workforce rental project Upcountry, "Kulamalu Hale," is nearly complete with families and individuals starting to move in very soon. Also under construction is Kahoma Village in Lahaina (203 total units, 102 single family workforce units & 101 market units); Kahoma Residential in Lahaina (68 single family workforce units); Kamalani in Kihei (phase 1: 64 workforce condominium units); Hale Mahaolu Ewalu in Upcountry (phase 1: 39 senior rentals); Kaiaulu in Lahaina (33 single family workforce units); Mokuhaul in Happy Valley (16 single family workforce units); and Pauwela Homes in Haiku (33 single family workforce units).



Other positive, but reality-check developments: On June 30th, the Department of Housing & Human Concerns (DHHC) partnered with the Maui Chamber of Commerce in hosting the first annual Maui County Affordable Housing Summit. This statewide summit was attended by housing advocates and providers, lenders, Realtors, developers, community planners and government officials to address the shortfall of affordable housing. The summit highlighted the fact that Maui County faces a daunting shortfall of 13,949 affordable housing units within the next 10 years to keep up with demand.

The findings of the summit were grim, yet promising: Our system is indeed broken and government should be helping to create solutions; there are two major constraints to the construction of affordable housing: natural constraints and policy constraints; although there is very little we can do about natural constraints, we can make a positive difference by focusing on the policy constraints; and the focus should be on creating incentives versus roadblocks. It is clear that we need to make housing a priority, and reduce impediments and burdensome regulations to pave the way for housing.

As we move forward, DHHC will focus on workforce rental units as well as for-sale units, identify public/private partnerships and seek ways to offer more options to developers. Changes have already been introduced to our Workforce Housing Ordinance. These proposed changes are meant to clean up language and provide incentives for developers to build rental units for lower income levels; clarify the intent to make units available to income-eligible individuals; define assets for potential homebuyers; and ensure compliance with income guidelines.

As we move forward in our efforts to meet the needs of our community together, let us remember the words of Nelson Mandela: "Overcoming poverty is not a task of charity, it is an act of justice. Like slavery and apartheid, poverty is not natural."

With gratitude for all you do to make our community all that it is,

Keith Regan
Managing Director



Happenings at THE COUNTY



COOKE MEMORIAL POOL TO CLOSE FOR MAINTENANCE

The Cooke Memorial Pool located at 220 Kolapa Place, Kaunakakai, Molokai will be closed September 11, 2017 through September 15, 2017 due to maintenance. The pool will reopen on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at 9 a.m.

For more information, contact the Aquatics Division Office at (808) 270-6137. For general Parks information, visit www.mauicounty.gov/Parks.

COACH SPENCER SHIRAISHI POOL TO CLOSE FOR MAINTENANCE

The Coach Spencer Shiraishi Pool located at 145 Kaulawahine Street, Kahului will be closed September 7, 8, 9 and 10, 2017 for scheduled maintenance. Pool will reopen on Monday, September 11 at 9:00 a.m.

For more information, contact the Aquatics Division Office at (808) 270-6135. For general Parks information, visit www.mauicounty.gov/Parks.

SMALL BUSINESS REVITALIZATION GRANTS FOR LANAI AND MOLOKAI ANNOUNCED

The Mayor's Office of Economic Development (OED) today announced that applications are now being accepted for a fourth round of grants for businesses on the islands of Lanai and Molokai. The grant awards will range from \$500 to \$5,000; non-profit entities are not eligible for this program.

The small business revitalization grants are designed to assist businesses with fewer than ten employees that do business in Maui County's rural communities such as Lanai and Molokai, which have been identified as the areas hardest hit in their ability to recover from the economic downturn of the past few years.

The grant funds may be used for new equipment, renovation, websites, marketing materials or other purposes that will help the businesses grow, prosper and create jobs. The grant program is a 40/60 match grant, which means that for applicants accepted, for every \$40 they contribute they will receive a match of \$60.

Applications and rules for this program are



available online at www.mauicounty.gov/OED (click on "Grants & Awards" on the left side) or at Lokahi Pacific, which is managing the grant program. For more information, call 242-5761 or email susie@lokahipacific.org. The deadline for applying for this round of funding is November 30, 2017.

"This program is very innovative," Mayor Alan Arakawa said, "because it allows each applicant to determine exactly what they need in their business and provides owners a great opportunity and low-cost way to grow their business."

"Maui County's Small Business Revitalization Grant will give Molokai small businesses an opportunity to leverage funds to grow their existing business," said Councilwoman Stacy Crivello. "This will allow them to strive to produce more efficiently and assist in supporting existing Jobs in our rural landscape."

Councilman Riki Hokama stated that, "This program is innovative and gets to the core of what a business needs most to keep them moving forward."

OED Director Teena Rasmussen said that these businesses strive hard to remain profitable, noting that "small matching micro grants are such a great way to give these companies a boost."

Lokahi Pacific was selected by OED as the master grantee and fiscal agent for Small Business Revitalization grants. Susie Thieman, Lokahi Pacific Executive Director, said this has been an "exciting and popular project for our agency."

The Mayor's Office of Economic Development has a variety of grant programs targeted to different sectors in the economy. For more information on grant availability, visit the OED website at www.mauicounty.gov/OED.

WAIKAPU PARK BASKETBALL COURT RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT TO BEGIN

The County of Maui Department of Parks and Recreation announced that the Waikapu Park Basketball Court Reconstruction project, Job No. P14/015, will begin construction on Monday, Sept. 25, 2017 and continue until February 28, 2018.

The project will include the demolition of the existing basketball court, and installation of a new replacement court including concrete pad, modular surfacing, backboards, striping, removable volleyball posts; perimeter chain link fencing; construction of new accessible parking stall and driveway; and the installation of a new drinking fountain.

For safety reasons, the public is asked to remain outside of construction area barriers.

The construction contract was awarded to Site Engineering, Inc. for \$461,730.

Any questions or concerns may be addressed to Cheryl Akiona, Parks CIP Coordinator, at cheryl.akiona@mauicounty.gov or by phone at 270-7388.

WEST PARKS DISTRICT ACCEPTING APPLICANTS FOR MENEHUNE COACHES

The County of Maui's West Parks District is currently accepting applications for head basketball coaches for the Lahaina Boys & Girls Menehune Basketball teams.

Please contact Alvin Kametani, West District Recreation Leader III for applications at alvin.kametani@co.maui.hi.us or 270-4314.

Deadline for submitting completed applications is Thursday, September 28, 2017 at 4:00pm.



Office on Aging Executive Deborah Stone-Walls Elected to National Association

On August 2, 2017, Maui County's Executive on Aging, Deborah Stone-Walls was elected amongst her peers from across America to serve as the 1st Vice-President of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a).

Having served on the n4a Board since 2009, Stone-Walls has been honored with the opportunity to represent Maui County and the State at the prestigious national level. N4a is the national association for 622 Area Agencies on Aging and more than 250 Title VI Native American aging programs that work year-round to provide members with a wide array of technical assistance, training, resources, advocacy, and other benefits to support the critical efforts on behalf of older adults, family caregivers, and individuals with disabilities. In her role as 1st VP, Stone-Walls will hold a key leadership position to assert direct influence on national policy and strategic planning for the aging network. As president-elect, next year she will serve in the organization's top spot.

Maui's Executive on Aging was also selected to serve as the Chair of the State of Hawaii's HCR35 HD1 SD1 Task Force, a resolution passed by the 29th Hawaii State 2017 Legislature to convene a Task Force to "assess current elder and Kupuna Care services and the anticipated demand for those services in order to improve those services and meet demand." The group, convened by the University of Hawaii Center on Aging, includes a number of influential and high ranking officials in health and senior services*. As Chair of the State Task Force, Stone-Walls will lead the effort



to review elder services, assess anticipated demands for services, determine requirements for adequate training, workforce expansion, services expansion, and financing to improve the current situation and meet anticipated need.

"The County of Maui's Executive on Aging Deborah Stone-Walls has the necessary experience, knowledge and skills to take on such important leadership positions at the National and State levels," said Mayor Alan Arakawa. "At a time when Hawaii's senior population is growing 4 times faster than our total population, it is imperative that we understand nuances of the silver tsunami that

is changing the composition of our community and to focus on future impacts. Addressing our elderly population's needs is a top priority for the administration and Ms Stone-Walls is the perfect individual to lead the way."

Stone-Walls served at the helm of Maui County's Office on Aging since 2008, overseeing a staff of 21 that provides valuable health and essential social services to over 40,000 seniors in Maui, Molokai and Lanai. As the designated local Area Agency on Aging, the Maui County Office on Aging is dedicated to promote and protect the well-being of older adults in Maui County. The agency is authorized by the Older Americans Act, and the primary objective is to assist our Kupuna and caregivers lead dignified and meaningful lives in their own homes for as long as possible.

For information, contact Maui County's Office on Aging at 270-7755.



Central Maui officially launches Blue Zones Project and Kickoff Week!



Great group of volunteers on Maui included this wonderful group of Girl Scouts!

Blue Zones Project in Central Maui is officially launched with a whole week of fun activities and events!

First was the big kickoff event at the Historic Iao Theater featuring Dan Buettner on Friday, August 25th! Packed with 350 community leaders, families and friends, everyone left inspired by the founder of Blue Zones! Maui was excited to hear Dan's firsthand account of his travels into the Blue Zones and left feeling inspired to live longer, better!

Next came a Purpose Workshop on August 28th at Maui High School. Over 30 people attended this two hour workshop to reflect, identify their gifts and talents, then walked out the door with a personal purpose statement.



Purpose Workshop Facilitator and Blue Zones Project Engagement Lead, Kaimana Brummel explains that purpose can add 7 years to your life!

To continue the festivities, the Blue Zones Project – Maui team had their first Walking Moai Launch at Baldwin High School. A fun group came out to start this 10-week walking program. They'll continue to meet weekly to move naturally and



socialize. Good luck to this first Walking Moai Maui team!

Last, but definitely not least, was Wailuku First Friday – where 3,000 people came to spend their Aloha Friday! Blue Zones Project took part in the monthly block party with a Downshift Lounge, Wine @ 5 area, fun Zumba tutorials and a few cooking demos!



The downshift lounge was a soothing sound garden! You could sit in the middle of the packed event and downshift for a bit!

Maui is off to a great start! With so many people engaged in one week, imagine how happy and healthy the community will be in the next few years!



The cooking demonstrations and samples at Plant Slant Square were a hit! They made ono 'Ulu Power Bars, Moloka'i Sweet Potato Hash and Maui-terranean Hummus!

Want to get involved with Blue Zones Project - Maui? Email us at bluezonesprojectcentralmaui@sharecare.com or visit Hawaii.bluezonesproject.com. Like us on Facebook (@bzpmaui) and Instagram (@bzpmaui) too!

Applications available for 13th Annual Chili Cook-Off

The 13th Annual Maui Fire Department Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, October 8, 2017 starting at 3:00 pm in the Entertainment Tent at the 95th Maui Fair. The fundraiser benefits Shriners Hospitals for Children's Patient Transportation Fund which enables children afflicted with injuries related to fires to receive the necessary medical treatment and rehabilitation therapy on their road to recovery.

This year's Cook-off will feature an Open Category, open to the first twenty non-professional registered entries. There will be a registration fee. Bring in your favorite Chili Dish for our Fire Fighters will judge. Recipes are not limited to traditional

ingredients. The winner will receive \$250.00 in CASH.

Registration form and rules and regulations can be found and submitted at www.mauifair.com. Pickup your entry number and gate pass at the Fair Office once you've been approved as one of the twenty applicants. Deadline to enter is September 27, 2017.

Visit the Maui Fair Office in the War Memorial Gymnasium Parking Lot open daily 10am to 2 pm Monday through Friday, call before coming 808 242-2721.



County Celebrates Workforce Housing Rental Complex



Mayor Alan Arakawa, Councilmember Robert Carroll and Kahu Kimokeo Kapahulehua untie a ceremonial maile lei to celebrate the completion of the County's Kulamalu Hale Upcountry Workforce Housing Rental Complex.

Photo: County of Maui / Ryan Piros

The County of Maui Department of Housing and Human Concerns announced that a blessing ceremony was held today in Pukalani celebrating the completion of Kulamalu Hale, the County of Maui's workforce housing rental complex.

The project encompasses six two-story residential buildings and a multipurpose space. Kulamalu Hale includes 16 one-bedroom and 40 two-bedroom units for a total of 56 new units in an area that is conveniently located close to



community amenities such as shops, parks, schools and businesses.

"Facilitating affordable housing opportunities for Maui County residents is a top priority," Mayor Alan Arakawa said. "Kulamalu Hale is one important step in the right direction in addressing Maui's housing shortage, and

we're pleased to provide this new opportunity for our working families."



The project will be rented to individuals earning less than 120 percent of the adjusted median income for the island of Maui. The anticipated move-in dates for families are scheduled to begin in September.

"Thanks to the dedication and commitment to affordable housing by many, including the Mayor and County Council, Kulamalu Hale has become a reality," said DHHC Director Carol Reimann. "The County looks forward to continuing to build on partnerships to expand housing opportunities for our residents."

Reimann also reported that Kulamalu Hale is the first of several workforce housing projects slated to come on-line within the next year or two that are currently under construction. There are seven projects that are in active production, encompassing over 500 workforce units in Upcountry, West Maui, South Maui, Haiku and Central Maui.

Kulamalu Hale was funded through a combination of the Maui County Affordable Housing Fund and a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development HOME Investment Partnerships Program grant provided through Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

For information about rental opportunities at Kulamalu Hale, contact Hale Mahaolu at 872-4108.



The Kulamalu Hale project encompasses six two-story residential buildings and a multipurpose space, and includes 16 one-bedroom and 40 two-bedroom units for a total of 56 new units. Photo: County of Maui / Ryan Piros





Kūlia i ka nu'u

Strive to reach the summit

Please help congratulate these dedicated employees as they continue to serve our community and in doing so, "strive to reach the summit."

Congratulations to **Crystal Sakai** who recently resigned from the Maui Fire Department to work at the State of Hawaii as a Labor Law Enforcement Specialist!

"It has been a very distinct honor to work with you and for you, and I am so grateful for all the love and support that you've shown me personally. The staff in your offices have been extremely pleasant and helpful and I will miss working with all of you," said Crystal.

We wish her only the best at the State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations!

The Planning Department welcomes **Garrett Smith** to the Long Range Planning Division. Garrett was hired July 17, 2017 as an emergency hire Planner VI and previously worked for the Hawaii County Department of Planning. Garrett and his family live in Kihei.

The Department continues the Above and Beyond awards program, and several employees have been recognized by their peers.



At the July departmental meeting, Deputy Director **Michele McLean** selected GIS Analyst VI **Daniel McNulty-Huffman** for his Above and Beyond work performance

She described Dan as extremely dedicated to his work and to the Long Range Division's overall responsibilities; Dan looks out for his coworkers, both professionally and personally, and has their backs, whether peers, subordinates or supervisors; Dan shows excellent judgment in when to make decisions on his own and when to check with upper management; and has really gone Above and Beyond with the MAPPS project and Enterprise GIS implementation. Dan can be tenacious, which really serves the Department well when dealing with land use data and making information readily available to other departments and the public. He has been steadfast in making sure that Planning Department data is secure and that only accurate and verified information is publicly available. And he is able to speak about complex matters in layman's terms! Most of all, he is a strong advocate for the GIS team and Long Range, and looks out for the department's overall needs, too.

Dan selected Planning Program Administrator **Pam Eaton** as the August Above and Beyond winner. Pam has the skills to bring together divisive groups. She works long hours and has a lot of energy. "She accepts no BS," said Dan. She loves a good laugh and she brings refreshments!





July's other winner **Renee Segundo** chose Office Operations Assistant I **Charmaine Kehau Keaweehu** to carry the Above and Beyond prize for the following month. Renee is a Land Use & Building Plans Examiner who worked her way up from an entry-level clerical position, so she understands the demands placed on Kehau, such as being overloaded and having to work with challenging customers. Kehau is the heart of the office, she answers the phone with a friendly voice, assists walk-in customers with a smile, and makes others laugh with her funny stories. Best of all, Kehau shares food!

At the August meeting Kehau selected **Pikake Fernandez Ruiz**, Land Use & Building Plans Technician. Pikake is patient, soft-spoken, and smart, has common sense, and is no drama. When Pikake goes on site visits, she inspects the plans carefully first and expects to see what's supposed to be there!

Congratulations to Michele, Dan, Pam, Renee, Kehau and Pikake! Thank you for going Above and Beyond!

Congratulations also to **Melissa E. Magonigle** on being hired as Maui Police Department's Business Administrator effective July 10, 2017.

Prior to filling this promotional position, she was the Office Operations Assistant II at the Hana Police station since

2003. Originally from Florida, Ms. Magonigle moved to Hana, Maui in 2000 after finishing her degree at the University of Florida. She



holds a Bachelor's of Science degree in Public Relations from UF and a Master's degree in Human Resources Management from Troy University. Ms. Magonigle is also a Major in the Army Reserves in the U.S. Army Pacific Support Unit. She enlisted in the Army Reserves in 1997 as a Military Police private and then Direct Commissioned to an Adjutant General Officer in 2004. Upon commissioning she served as the Platoon Leader and then Company Commander of the 751st AG Co, Maui, until 2008. She then served as a Human Resources officer until taking command of the Hawaii Headquarters Detachment of USARPAC-SU from 2014 to 2016, and currently serves as the Deputy Secretary of the Joint Staff.

Ms. Magonigle has three children, Alijah (13), Ashley (11), and Austin (7), and enjoys outdoor activities and spending time with her family. Ms. Magonigle is honored to have been selected for this position and to have the opportunity to continue to eagerly and honorably serve the Maui Police Department and the County of Maui.

Congratulations to **Michael Busch** on being hired as a Budget Analyst in the Mayor's Budget Office effective last month!

Born and raised in Buffalo, NY, Michael received a bachelor's degree in finance from Canisius College, Buffalo, NY and subsequently moved to Santa Clara, CA where he spent 9 years working in corporate finance prior to moving to Maui and working in the Department of Public Works as a Departmental Contracts Coordinator. Married to Lianne Peros in 2002, they have two daughters.





Update of West Maui Community Plan underway

BY: **GARRETT SMITH**
Department of Planning

The County's Planning Department is pleased to announce the update of the West Maui Community Plan is again underway!

Some months ago Planning was asked to put this effort on hold in order to reassess its approach, with the goal of critically evaluating the community planning process and developing a strategy for moving forward. On Saturday, August 26, 2017 the Long Range Division hosted a "kick-off" open house event at the West Maui Senior Center, unveiling an improved community planning process, sharing maps and materials, and discussing issues with West Maui residents. Over 200 community members attended this event, provided feedback to the project team, and took a survey.

To improve the community engagement effort, the Long Range Planning Division has developed a web site (www.wearemaui.org). The site allows the community to obtain information, provide feedback, and collaborate on the plan's development.



The community can also find information and get involved in the process through Facebook (@wearemaui) and Instagram (@wearemaui or search for #wearemaui and #wearewestmaui).

In the next few months, many public meetings and events will be held to solicit more feedback from community members. Such events include a September 12th meeting concerning Transportation, a September 30th Community Design open house, an October 11th Infrastructure meeting, and an October 18th Coastal Resilience Discussion all being held at the West Maui Senior Center in Lahaina.





Explore life at 55!

BY: DANA ACOSTA
Department of Housing & Human Concerns

Akule Day



When the skies are clear, the water is calm, and it's a nice day at Hana Bay, local fishermen think of the kupuna at Kaunoa's Nutrition Center first, taking them out into the water to hold the net and help pull the fish in. Those who are physically able to participate will then take fish to the kupuna who watch from the shore, and everyone goes home with fish.

It is special activities such as this that occur at the County's Kaunoa Nutrition Centers that help keep seniors active, involved and independent throughout Maui County. Nutrition Centers are located from West Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Kihei to Central Maui, Upcountry and Hana/Keanae. The program is open to those age 60 and better; activities are accompanied by a healthy, delicious & nutritious meal, and a suggested voluntary contribution of \$2 per meal is welcome and appreciated.

Recent surveys indicate that 95% of participants feel the program helps them remain active and independent, and 90% feel more connected to their community and have learned better eating habits through the Nutrition Education component at the Centers.

For more information and to get a schedule of Center locations, days and times of operation, please call 270-7306.

Dr. Terry Shintani imparts valuable health information



Photo: A. Wright

The long awaited and highly anticipated lecture by Dr. Terry Shintani, president and director of the Hawai'i Health Foundation and author of 14 best-selling books, delivered a full agenda of valuable information on a wide range of health matters, including prescription medications, weight loss and controlling chronic conditions. Kaunoa's Multipurpose room at the Spreckelsville campus was filled to capacity with a standing-room only audience, who took full advantage of the opportunity to dig deep into Dr. Shintani's wealth of knowledge and experience. Dr. Shintani's colleague, Dr. Diane Nomura, spoke about cancer and environmental pollutants that affect people's health.

The Best Years begin at 55!

The County of Maui offers a wide variety of Wellness activities for adults ages 55 and better. Staying physically active and continuing to learn new skills is critical for increasing our Healthspan – the period of our lives when we are healthy, productive, and independent. Don't miss the following Kaunoa adventures and classes coming up; there's something for everyone. Pre-registration is required. For a complete listing of all of Kaunoa's activities, call 270-7308 or 270-4310 to receive a monthly newsletter.

Coming your way in September:

- Any Kine Fun – Kumiai Day with Da Braddahs and Mary & Manuel on September 21
- Diabetes & Your Eyes with Dr. Catherine Makin, D.O. on September 19
- Adventures in Dining: Humble Market Kitchen in Wailea on September 22 or 29



MEO, County bless two new buses



On August 23, 2017, MEO blessed two brand new Soderholm ENC Aerotech (25) Seat ADA with (2) Wheelchair Position Buses on Molokaʻi Island. The buses will enable MEO to expand ridership while broadening routes throughout the Island.

For many residents on the Friendly Isle, the public transportation service that MEO provides is the only option for attending various functions and getting a ride into town for medical and dental appointments, shopping and other special needs. This is a step in the right direction for the residents of Molokaʻi as previously routes and time schedules were limited due largely in part by strict

safety standards and an overflow in ridership.

The brand new buses were funded almost entirely by the County of Maui's CDBG Program with a public service grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. In Program Year 2016 MEO was awarded \$259,579 (just shy of the total retail price of \$260,972) from CDBG and promptly began the procurement process to provide greater accessibility to the community. During the ceremony, MEO CEO, Debbie Cabebe, expressed with sincerity how she enjoyed working with and extending warm mahalo to the program staff at CDBG and everyone for a job well done!



Habitat for Humanity seeks help from DMVL employee Gilmore's co-workers

On Saturday August 12, 2017, Habitat for Humanity Maui held a site selection ceremony for its upcoming Lahaina project in the Kahoma Residential Subdivision. The nonprofit organization will be building 10 single family homes, varying from 2 bed/1 bath to 4 bed/2 bath houses, depending on each family's need.



Part of Habitat's partner homeowner's requirements are to contribute 500 hours of "sweat equity" to help the homes in their community. 200 of these sweat equity hours have to be completed by the family that will be living in the Habitat home, but the remaining 300 hours can be done by supporters in the community (friends, extended family, coworkers, etc).

One of the selected homeowners for this project is Ivory Gilmore of the Division of Motor Vehicle & Licensing of the Department of Finance. Habitat of Humanity cordially invites county employees to support their Ivory and her family as well as other Habitat partner homeowners who are part of the same project (or other construction sites on Maui).

There are various ways to designate volunteer hours to a specific partner homeowner (or split hours equally between several partner homeowners). Even taking care of a partner family member's children while the homeowner is on the construction site can count towards a

homeowner's sweat equity totals!

Another way to support Habitat Maui build these 10 homes in Lahaina is to come to our 20th Anniversary Celebration that is taking place at the Andaz Maui at Wailea Resort on Saturday September 30, 2017 from 5 PM – 10 PM.

The event will include dinner, a live rock and roll band, a casino room, dancing, and live and silent auctions. Individual tickets are \$195 (comes with \$100 in funny money chips for the casino room), while sponsorships start at \$2,500 for a table of 10 (sponsorships come with up to \$500 in funny money chips per person). All proceeds from this event will go towards Habitat Maui's Home Build Fund.

For more information about signing up to help build and helping Habitat for Humanity's partner homeowners with their sweat equity requirements– or for more details about the 20th Anniversary Celebration, contact Habitat's office at 242-1140 or visit www.habitat-maui.org.



What exactly is pickleball?



The fun game with the silly name is one of the fastest growing sports in the United States.

Originally devised by a couple of retired gentleman in the Seattle area in the 1960's as a way to get idle family members active doing something, interest in the game has steadily grown over the years to where there are now several major national tournaments. In 2017, there is an estimated 2 million people playing pickleball, with that number expected to reach 7-8 million by next year!

Combining elements of tennis, ping pong, and badminton, it doesn't take long to learn the basics of the game and immediately enjoy playing. Like the 3 sports pickleball is mostly derived from, the object is to hit the ball over the net and win more points than the opponent. Played at the highest level, it's a game filled with many close range rallies that require quick reflexes. Played at a recreational level, the rallies may not be quite as intense. But no matter the skill level, pickleball offers an enjoyable way to interact with others, as well as get a surprisingly good workout.

There is singles play (one against one), but with the many of the participants 50 years of age and over, doubles is the preferred method of play. The equipment used and the rules of the game can be great equalizers so very often players of different skill levels can partner up and still find much success on the court.

Over the past couple of years interest has grown

steadily, and pickleball has established a firm footing here on Maui, and that continues to grow and strengthen. Though there are no pickleball specific courts that DPR continually provides, each District has designated tennis courts and gym courts to be used for pickleball as well.

The locations and times are:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7am-11am on courts 5 & 6 at Waipuilani Park in Kihei,

Monday nights, 6pm-8pm at the Lahaina Civic Center tennis courts,

Tuesday and Thursdays, 10am-1pm at the Kula Community Center tennis courts,

Tuesday nights, 5pm-8pm on the upper tennis courts at the War Memorial Complex in Wailuku and Saturdays from 8am-noon indoors at Eddie Tam Gym in Makawao.

All the venues are filled with friendly people who are all willing to help "newbies" get started. Don't worry if you don't have your own paddle yet, there's always someone willing to loan you one, but after trying the game a time or 2, you will be looking to buy your own paddle very soon.

For more information on DPR's pickleball programs, feel free to contact South District's Todd Richter at 891-4955.



Maui Homeless Alliance, Housing Committee holds 2017 Maui Landlord Summit

BY: JANICE SHISHIDO
Department of Housing & Human Concerns

The Maui Homeless Alliance (MHA), Housing Committee held the 2017 Maui Landlord Summit on July 11, 2017, at the Maui Beach Hotel. The 2nd Annual Landlord Summit addressed our concern for the escalating crisis situation



individuals and families to secure safe, affordable housing in this economy and the high demand for housing. Many landlords may not necessarily want to rent to people with subsidized housing or HUD Section 8 housing vouchers. We anticipate that this summit will

of homeless-ness and affordable rentals. This event was sponsored by the Realtors Association of Maui (RAM) for the second year in a row. The MHA greatly appreciates RAM's support and assistance in presenting this summit. Present were Scott Morishige, Homeless Liaison from the office of the Governor, Maui County Department of Housing and Human Concerns and other social service organizations that assisted in recruiting landlords and property managers alongside agencies that currently assist Maui's current housing-challenged residents.

A Trade Show, of the many agencies involved were successful in connecting and educating the landlords and property managers of the resources and assistance available to them. The agencies included Family Life Center, Ka Hale A Ke Ola, US Department of Veterans Affairs, Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc., Mental Health Kokua, Women Helping Women, Legal Aid Society, Catholic Charities Hawaii (Maui), and the County of Maui Housing Choice Voucher Section 8. The 130 in attendance were very appreciative of the information provided.

It is a challenge for Maui's low-income and homeless

educate and give landlords a better understanding of the families the Maui Homeless Alliance serves as well as the resources that are available to them.

It was impacting to hear Scott Morishige, the governor's liaison on homelessness say, Maui County has had a 22% reduction in homelessness and in Hawaii overall, homelessness has decreased for the first time in 8 years. Remarks then were followed by Department of Housing and Human Concerns Director Carol Reimann, and MHA Co-Chair Maude Cumming. A panel discussion featured landlords, tenants and social service agencies.

A "HOUSING HERO" was honored, who works with social service agencies to find rental housing for individual and families who are homeless. The 2017 "Housing Hero" was awarded to BRANDY AKI, property manager and principal broker of Emerald Club Realty, Inc.

The Honorable Mayor Alan M. Arakawa closed the event, thanking the landlords and property managers for their interest and becoming aware of the many resources available for them.



Kupaianaha “Blessings of Life”

BY: TIFFANY IIDA
Department of Management

We are each so fortunate to have wonderful people in our lives, friends, co-workers, loved ones who are important to us. The High Street Journal wishes to share our employees' good news, offer a chance to get to know each other better and offer the precious joys that add spark to our lives. These are special moments and stories as written and provided by employees of the County of Maui. This column is your chance to express gratitude, praise and the simple and abundant joy these experiences have brought you- The blessings of life! Please send submissions to tiffany.iida@mauicounty.gov for inclusion in future issues of *The High Street Journal*.



and looking forward to hearing and seeing which marathon you will be heading to next.



What pencil-pushing Parks staff member recently ran the Rock and Roll marathon in Dublin Ireland with her hubby? **Stephanie Kuramata**, Grants Program, Department of Parks and Recreation. Pictured is Stephanie with her husband, **Shigeru Kuramata**. They were invited to participate in the Rock 'n Roll Marathon in Dublin from friends that travel all over the world to run in this Marathon series.

There were 51 countries that participated this year with 15,000 runners! Dublin was amazing with beautiful sunny but cool weather. Last year they ran the Spain Marathon and prior to Spain, they were spectators at the Australia Marathon. Both feel blessed to have these lifetime memories.

Shigeru Kuramata is 70 years old and is a van driver at the Maui Memorial Medical Center with only eight more months to make the 10 years with the State. Stephanie said she is two years younger and they are both fortunate to be in excellent health! Congratulations Stephanie and Shigeru on completing the marathon in Dublin

Mayor Alan Arakawa sends a big mahalo to the community for taking time out of their busy schedule to attend his recent community budget meetings to receive input on the county's fiscal year 2019 budget. Thanks also to the personnel in the various county departments for being in attendance.

Community input is vital. To provide input to Mayor and the departments, the public is encouraged to provide input via the County's budget simulator. Visit <http://mauicounty2018.budgetallocator.com/> to participate in the budget process.



Photo Gallery

A photo-essay of activities in the County



It's September and already we are thinking about summertime because that's when our Cooke Memorial pool is open for night swimming, Wednesdays and Fridays from June to July. We were definitely feeling the summer heat this year, but it was nice to be able to visit the pool and swim under the stars. On a typical Wednesday and Friday night, you will most likely find families gathered around the picnic tables "talking story", eating their potluck dinners, and watching all the keiki whirling and twirling in the cool, clean, and refreshing water. Night swimming is definitely a place for families to gather and to enjoy the cool summer evenings. If you're ever on Moloka'i during the hot summer months and you want to cool down, bring your swimming trunks and a towel, and take a dip in our Cooke Memorial Pool.



Andrew Beerer and his band of volunteer skaters recently painted the skatepark at Keopuolani Park removing it of the graffiti. The before and after pictures reveal the hard work.





The Department Water Supply welcomes their new Deputy Director, Gladys Baisa. Gladys comes to the Department with a rich family history of the Water Department. Her husband, Sherman retired as a Department of Water Supply Engineering Inspector and her son, Sherman Jr. is currently a Pipe Fitter II with the UpCountry Maintenance Division. So water has been something that has lived in her household for decades.

During these past months Gladys has been very busy getting to know the entire operation she has also made it a point to meet each and every employee. She has had many meetings with employees discussing concerns and bringing her management expertise to the table. Gladys has listened and learned a lot during these past months and has made many improvements thus far.

Quarterly Employee meetings will now be a thing of practice. If there is anything that comes up between meetings, Gladys has made it clear that she has an open door policy and anyone can call her at any time. The Field Operations Division recently had the pleasure of having Gladys visit their base yards, she brings them a beautiful breakfast, sits, listens and makes them feel like each and every one makes a difference so their concerns are her concerns. The Department would like to welcome Gladys and Thank her for her dedication and compassion.



Miss Maui Filipina Coronation for Gabrielle Gutierrez. on August 29, 2017.

Photo: Ryan Piros



Mahalo to Dept. of Parks & Recreation staff on Lanai for sending this photo of the department's summer men's basketball league. There were six teams with 70 participants aged 18 to 60 years old. According to Norrairie Pascua, "With the help of our referees, the men were able to maintain a level of control without losing competitiveness and still showcase their skills." The teams played at least ten games in the well-used gymnasium.



Kudos to the students who recently became certified to provide mental health first aid to youth! The intent of the curriculum is to identify youth who are experiencing mental health issues. It gives the person the skills to identify and provide direction in helping someone in need. The Parks Department staff joined school health nurses, members of the Family Court support system, and other professionals in learning those skills. Shirley Burrows and Natasha "U'i" Kalani of Molokai joined Tara Sabado, Fran Yamamoto, and Sue Kiang in an interesting day of training.



The Parks Department wrapped up it's summer by hosting the 2017 DPR Summer Smash Pickleball Tournament at the War Memorial Gymnasium on Saturday, August 26. The tournament featured 22 mixed doubles teams. There were 12 teams in the 50 & Under age division and 10 teams in the 51 & Above age division. All teams played a minimum of 5 games with teams advancing into the final teams playing a total of 7 games. It was a full day of pickleball fun filled with laughter, competition and good times. Tournament results are as follows: 50 & Under Champions--Caroline Walker & Craig Soderberg; Second Place--Karen Freizner & Patrick Holland; Third Place--Marcy Perriera & Aaron Mark. 51 & Over Champions--Laurie Loney & Steven "Pocket" Loney; Second Place--Megan Crouse & Scott Curran; Third Place--Maris Van der Lee & Todd Richter.



Mayor Alan Arakawa proclaimed October 19, 2017 as "INTERNATIONAL CREDIT UNION DAY" throughout Maui County and encourage all citizens to recognize the many contributions credit unions have made through the years to the communities in Hawaii, both tangible and intangible, and honor and express appreciation for the service and commitment of credit unions.

Photo: Ryan Piros



Groundbreaking of the new Kihei
Gymnasium

Photos: Ryan Pirois



Mayor Arakawa proclaimed September 10 – 16, 2017 as SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK throughout Maui County and urges all to support suicide prevention efforts and encourage all those in need to utilize the mental health resources and support services available in our community in order to enjoy a long and healthy life.





Troop 100 Boy Scouts in Kula are working to earn their Citizen in the Community merit badge, invited Mayor Alan Arakawa to speak and answer questions regarding issues affecting Maui. Photo: Ryan Piros



Department of Housing & Human Concerns' Kathy Fong and Department of Fire & Public Safety's Cindy Kagoshima enjoy the obon festival at Hale Mahaolu.

Also performing that night were members of Maui Taiko, including Department of Housing & Human Concerns' Beverly Hiranaga's husband Paul, Cindy Kagoshima's daughter Kelsie, and Managing Director Keith Regan's son Riley.

Photos: Lynn Araki-Regan



Maui County Business Resource Center September Workshop Schedule

*Maui County Business Resource Center workshops are offered to the general public through the Mayor's Office of Economic Development. All workshops are held at the Maui County Business Resource Center, Maui Mall and are subject to change or cancellation. **Workshops are free unless otherwise noted.***

Call to reserve your seat at 270-5770

NOAA Grant Writing Training Workshop

Instructor: Ron Flavin

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

This training is being provided through NOAA Fisheries specific to NOAA grants. However, in this workshop, we will be discussing grant writing in general. Some of the topics to be covered is the fundamentals of good grant writing and the common pitfalls and mistakes in grant writing. We will also discuss difference types of funding instruments and the difference between grants and cooperative agreements which participants may be eligible to apply for. There will be a sign-up sheet available during the workshop for one-on-one consultations. These consultations are intended for attendees who are already working on a grant or pre-proposal. Please bring a hard copy of the document you want to discuss. These one-on-one consultations will be held in the Maui County Business Resource Center.

To register for this workshop, please contact Janet Arrowood at janet.c.arrowood@gmail.com.

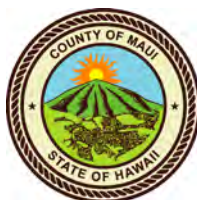
ABCs of Social Media Marketing

Instructor: Danielle Miller

Thursday, September 7, 2017 - 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Q&A til 1:30)

Using social media to generate buzz about your business is the new norm. Discover the three strategic phases every business goes through when taking on social media as a marketing tool. Learn simple tips for getting people to like your page, comment on your post, and share their contact information with you. This is an introduction to the 6-hour class taught through Edventures at UHMC by instructor Danielle Miller.

Danielle is a Social Media Coach and Founder of Miller Media Management. She specializes in authentically marketing small businesses on social media.



The Montessori Method and Growing your Business-Part 2 in a continuing series

Instructor: Mira Nissim

Thursday, September 14, 2017 - 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Q&A til 1:30)

This interactive workshop will delve deeper into the philosophies and tenets of the Montessori Philosophy, making correlations and highlighting ways in which Montessori's methods can teach adults to be more effective leaders in business. The Montessori method of education is truly unique and has gained popularity worldwide for creating "out of the box thinkers", some of whom have become famous for originality (ex: Google and Amazon founders). This class will focus more closely on human tendencies as outlined by Montessori, positive phrasing and preparation of leaders.

Mira Nissim, a California native and mother of three, is a certified AMI Primary Teacher through the Montessori Northwest in Portland, Oregon. She has been an educator since 2004 and has taught children and adults in North America, South America, Europe and Asia. She was the founder of Samui Montessori School in Koh Samui, Thailand. Mira currently runs her own health and wellness business on Maui and continues to teach young children as well.

Beyond the Business Plan - Six Key Strategies to Take Your Business from Good to Great

Instructor: Leslie Couch

Tuesday, September 19, 2017 - 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Completing a business plan is vital to starting your business on the right foot. But, what are some of the keys to managing the business successfully after start-up?

Many new businesses fail because the owners have not put effective organizational and management strategies in place; due to lack of knowledge or understanding of how important they are to the bottom line.

In this workshop, we will look at six basic and important areas in leadership, service and accountability that, with the right approach and mindset, will help you and your business flourish. This workshop is designed to get you thinking about how you both measure up, and give you resources for implementing positive and profitable changes.

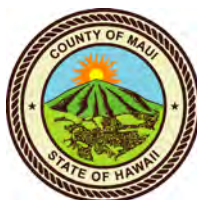
Leslie Couch is a small business owner herself, offering accounting and bookkeeping services, consulting and coaching to fellow entrepreneurs since 1998. Prior to starting her business, she enjoyed an 18 year career in the banking industry in branch management and commercial lending, including SBA financing.

Google Seminar 2017 Series - Partner Event: B2B

Hosted by: Meyer Computer, Inc.

Wednesday, September 20, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Meyer Computer, Inc. is excited to bring another Google Partner event to the Maui County Business Resource Center. Google will discuss the importance of digital marketing for the B2B Industries, share trends, research and insights that can help you reach your audience in all their moments of need.



B2B (business-to-business), as known as e-biz, is the exchange of products, services, or information between businesses rather than between businesses and consumers. Although early interest centered on the growth of retailing on the Internet (sometimes called e-tailing), forecasts are that B2B revenue will far exceed business-to-business consumers (B2C) revenue in the near future. According to studies published in early 2000, the money volume of B2B exceeds that of 3-tailing by 10 to 1.

Online Marketing Strategies

Instructor: Mckenna Hallett

Thursday, September 21, 2017 - 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Q&A til 1:30)

Just when you thought you were getting some traction, someone says, "Are you using SnapChat (Twitter/Facebook Live/Instagram)?" or one of several other social media outlets. You wonder if you should. You head to the internet to see what the buzz is all about. Hours can be lost chasing down a strategy that will never make you a dime. This is especially true if you are not even sure how to describe your target market or haven't really created a sales funnel. Do you know why someone will buy your product or service? Do you have a solid system to get people to your site and then to sell them?

This sixty-minute presentation is designed to help you create realistic strategies for sales for your business. Whatever your business, you can apply this knowledge and grow sales online. And, it's inexpensive and simple to get started and uses tools you probably already use today. This presentation will simply put those tools to more efficient and effective use so you can develop a plan for online marketing. Bring your Can Do spirit! Bring your brainstorming questions! There will be a thirty-minute Q & A to follow

Mckenna Hallett is a business marketing and communications "therapist". There are hundreds of helpful articles on her website: www.MyGoldenWords.com. She blogs business savvy hints and tips to a worldwide audience, and teaches seminars throughout the state and on the mainland. With over two decades of experience with her own small business on Maui, she brings practical and easy-to-use advice to all business owners at any stage.

ANA Project Planning & Development Training

Instructor: Napua Harbottle

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday - September 27, 28 & 29, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Whether you are a community advocate starting a brand new organization or a seasoned grants veteran looking to form an ANA grant-eligible project from the ground up, you will definitely want to attend this free three-day training. The training will cover the fundamentals of forming an effective community-based project.

Please register online at: www.anapacificbasin.org



“QUICKBOOKS FOR SMALL BUSINESS” by Richard Kehoe, CPA

Hands-on computer training for beginners.

Thursday, September 28, 2017 - 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Learn to set up your company's QuickBooks in a small class setting with personalized tutoring. This class is for new users and will teach you how to record sales, receive payments, prepare invoices and balance your checkbook. Get customized answers and schedule a follow-up appointment at no cost to discuss YOUR solutions. Sponsored by SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) and presented by Richard Kehoe, CPA and lead SCORE counselor.

Free counseling sessions with experienced SCORE
and Small Business Development Corp. (SBDC)
counselors:

Thursday afternoons - 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. and
Friday mornings - 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.



Place : Kamaole III Park Admission FREE

Time: 7 PM Date: September 29, 2017

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The ABCs of Back to School Preparedness



With school bells ringing, it is time for parents and guardians to get familiar with the emergency plan at your child's school or daycare.

Much like individuals and families, schools and daycare providers should all have site-specific emergency plans. If you are a parent or guardian, it is important to make sure your child's school or daycare has a plan to ensure his or her safety during an emergency.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) outline steps as easy as ABC to keep your child safe at school or daycare:

Ask how you will reunite with your child in an emergency or evacuation.

How would you find your child if an emergency happened during the school day?

- If students had to evacuate, where should parents/guardians go for pick up?
- How would the school notify you in the event of emergency?

Bring extra medication, special foods, or supplies that your child might need.

An emergency might require a sudden sleepover. Tell school administrators about any extra supplies your child may need to safely make it through a night away from home.

- What essential supplies would your child need if separated from you overnight? (Medications? Inhaler? Milk? Diapers? Battery pack for special equipment?)
- Does the school have an emergency stockpile of these items?
- If your child has special medications, can extras be kept at the school?
- What is the school policy for how and when medicine can be administered to your child?

Complete a backpack contact information card.

Emergencies are chaotic! Make sure your child or their school knows how to reach you, and who should be called if your phone isn't working.

- Complete an emergency contact card to make sure you and your child know how to get in touch quickly.

If your child has an access or functional need, be sure to meet with a school official to discuss plans for how the school will provide for his or her safety. For more information about emergency preparedness for parents, educators, and kids, visit www.ready.gov/kids.

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

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A Day of Hope & Healing

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS FAIR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017

11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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LEARN ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO OUR COMMUNITY!

Adult Protective Services * Friends of the Children's Justice Center * Mental Health Kokua

Maui Police Department Domestic Violence Unit * Parents and Children Together (PACT)

Women Helping Women * Legal Aid Society * Maui Family Support Services * Maui AIDS Foundation

Child and Family Services * Family Life Center * State Department of Health Suicide Prevention * Entertainment

Seat Belt Use on Vehicles and Equipment Equipped with Them

SUBMITTED BY: SEARAY BELTRAN

Safety Specialist III, Department of Corporation Counsel

If the State of Hawaii requires any person operating vehicle on County road or State High to wear their seat belt, does this mean those operating mowers, tractors and heavy equipment are required to wear their seat belt? The answer is YES! Reference 49 CFR Part 571 of the Federal Motor Vehicles Safety Standard, which provides for seat belt assemblies capable of adjusting to fit occupants that range in dimension and size from a 5th percentile adult female to a 95th percentile adult male. The weight and size criteria are set forth in 49 CFR 571.209S4.1(g)(3). Noted that after-market seat belt assembly extenders are available, but indicated that these may void product warranties and alter the system's specifications. Always check with the manufacture prior to doing any modification of the product.



Like any seat belt it's there to protect the operator along with "Roll-Over Protection System" (ROPS). Please read the OSHA's regulations and standards on both General and Construction Industry.

OSHA's requirements include (but are not limited to) 29 CFR 1910.132 (use of personal protective equipment, including **seat belts**) and Section 5(a)(1) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (when recognized hazardous **working conditions** are not addressed by existing standards).

OSHA does not have a specific standard that requires the use or installation of seat belts, however, **Section 5(a)(1) (General Duty Clause)** of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act) requires employers to protect employees from serious and recognized hazards. Recognition of the hazard of powered industrial truck tipover and the need for the use of an operator restraint system is evidenced by certain requirements for powered industrial trucks **at ASME B56.1-1993** - Safety Standard for Low Lift and High Lift Trucks. National consensus standard ASME B56.1-1993 requires that powered industrial trucks manufactured after 1992 must have a restraint device, system, or enclosure that is intended to assist the operator in reducing the risk of entrapment of the operator's head and/or torso between the truck and ground in the event of a tipover. **Therefore, OSHA would enforce this standard under Section 5(a)(1) of the OSH Act**

Title 29 CFR 1926.28(a) ("Personal Protective Equipment") states that:

The employer is responsible for requiring the wearing of appropriate personal protective equipment in all operations where there is an exposure to hazardous conditions or where this part indicates the need for using such equipment to reduce the hazards to the employees.

Title 29 CFR 1926.602 (Material handling equipment) states in part:

(a) *Earthmoving equipment; General.* (1) These rules apply to the following types of earthmoving equipment: scrapers, loaders, crawler or wheel tractors, bulldozers, off-highway trucks, graders, agricultural and industrial

tractors, and similar equipment. The promulgation of specific rules for compactors and rubber-tired "skid-steer" equipment is reserved pending consideration of standards currently being developed.

(2) Seat belts. (i) Seat belts shall be provided on all equipment covered by this section and shall meet the requirements of the Society of Automotive Engineers, J386-1969, Seat Belts for Construction Equipment. Seat belts for agricultural and light industrial tractors shall meet the **seat belt requirements of Society of Automotive Engineers J333a-1970, Operator Protection for Agricultural and Light Industrial Tractors.**

(ii) Seat belts need not be provided for equipment which is designed only for standup operation.

Like anything else, one must have a daily, monthly and quarterly checklist for its maintenance program including checking that the seat belt works according to 49 CFR Part 571 of the Federal Motor Vehicles Safety Standard and OSHA/ASME B56.1-1993 to ensure full compliance with State OSHA/HIOSH and County of Maui Countywide Safety and Health Program. So wear your seat belt even if you are doing the following:

1. While putting on/off trailer.
2. Moving it from one location to another within your maintenance area.
3. While moving it to the shed.
4. Anytime the equipment is energized/turned on, you must have the seat belt fastened.

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